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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- 1. Claims 1-7, drawn to a process for modifying tiles, classified in class 264 subclass 138.
- II. Claim 8, drawn to a tile, classified in class 52, subclass 311.1.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions group I and group II are related as process of making and product made. The inventions are distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) that the process as claimed can be used to make other and materially different product or (2) that the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process (MPEP § 806.05(f)). In the instant case, a chamfered or beveled tile may be made from various methods such as by using a hand chisel, ceramic cutting blades, etc.

Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

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A telephone call was made to Thomas Vigil on 7/9/02 to request an oral election

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to the above restriction requirement, but did not result in an election being made.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must

include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be

traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Basil Katcheves whose telephone number is (703) 306-

0232. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30am - 4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Carl Friedman can be reached on (703) 308-0832. The fax phone numbers

for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 308-3687

for regular communications and (703) 305-3230 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or

proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-

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